



family rooms in beautiful **weldwood**

100 interesting ideas  
for the room your family lives in

# cover

## idea

- 1 Prefinished birch V-Plank walls make this room completely practical, and attractive. Rear wall is actually a double closet-room divider. Notice the Weldwood Door Mirror attached to birch Weldwood Door.
- 2 Compact sewing area consists of birch table with two drawers, white Micarta top, white Micarta topped work table and overhead cabinets for sewing supplies. Wall under cabinets can be painted Perfowood for tacking up pattern layouts and special instructions.
- 3 All cabinets, including those in kitchen area, are made of  $\frac{3}{4}$ " Prefinished birch Weldwood with matching V-Plank used as doors. All work surfaces are white Micarta, except foreground cutting and utility table which is  $\frac{3}{4}$ " birch. This could be a birch Weldwood Door instead.
- 4 Interesting accent is the china door knobs which complement the white Micarta surfaces.



## idea

- 5 Prefinished walnut Weldwood walls. 6 inch deep recess lined with Old Craftsman Pine Weldwood, painted white. Glass shelves added.
- 6 Bar is an open back cabinet of  $\frac{3}{4}$ " Old Craftsman Pine. 12" squares of the wall paneling, arranged checkerboard fashion, are attached to front with Weldwood Contact Cement. Two molding strips fastened to face for decoration. All edges covered with molding strips; top is white Micarta. Bar stands on ready made brass legs.
- 7 Decorative "tie-in" is the walnut molding strips attached to the wooden stairs which were first covered with yellow vinyl floor covering same as floor.



*Weldwood Plywood for interior use  
is guaranteed for the life of any  
house in which it is installed.*





## idea

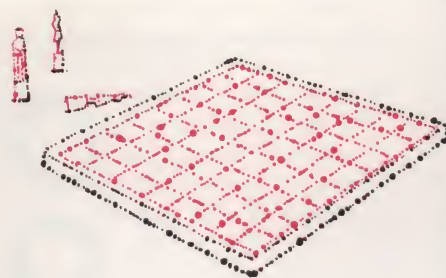
- 8 Wall is unfinished Surfwood, tinted after installation. Surfwood also available prefinished in 4 decorator colors.
- 9 Clock face can be made of a square of  $\frac{1}{2}$ " Old Craftsman Pine painted blue. White design painted on. Small colored wood blocks for numerals. An electric clock movement can be used.



## idea

- 10 Oak Plankweld covers old walls; glass shelved recess at left.
- 11 Desk of matching oak Weldwood is topped with Micarta, top extends to far edge of mural and forms a shelf.
- 12 Wainscot of the same Plankweld is curved across back of desk for graceful continuity. Short panels excellent for this treatment.





## idea

- 14 Two types of Prefinished Samara Weldwood used here. V-Planks on walls, Standard for cabinets.
- 15 Low storage cabinet at right has  $\frac{1}{4}$ " sliding doors in  $\frac{3}{4}$ " construction. Yellow Micarta top.
- 16 Cabinet arrangement in background features a built-in TV and record player concealed behind sliding doors. Sides and top are Yellow Micarta. Series of smaller cabinets form top unit. Note the way color of Micarta tops is carried through by painting sliding doors and small drawer fronts.
- 17 Clever use of cabinets to form stair enclosure.
- 18 Hand rail arrangement is unique: wood dowels with rounded ends, attached to wall with brass Ls.

## idea

- 19 Two panels of Prefinished Fawn Surfwood make a warm, attractive wall at one end of the family room.
- 20 Small shelves and brackets on wall are  $\frac{3}{4}$ " Old Craftsman Pine stained brown for contrast.
- 21 Open shelves of Old Craftsman Pine form room divider at right; uprights are galvanized pipe, painted black.



## idea

- 22 For a blond, modern look, use Prefinished Honey Korina Weldwood walls.
- 23 Planter in background is made of  $\frac{3}{4}$ " Korina. Inside has been waterproofed and lined with metal plant boxes.
- 24 Server at left is 12" wide black Micarta on Weldwood, self-edged. It is attached to wall with brackets and supported at outer edge by brass pipe legs.





## idea

- 25** Walls and stair enclosure of this charming room are Prefinished Samara V-Plank. Slanted tops of panels covered by plain wood molding painted same blue as furniture.
- 26** 12" high recess under stairs combines yellow and white Micarta for back and bottom. Fluorescent tubes in recess top provide indirect light.
- 27** Cabinet under recess houses record player at right, and forms back for built-in seats. Lower cabinet topped with hinged lid of white Micarta for storage access. Left end supports seat cushions.
- 28** Table in foreground is topped with blue and white Micarta squares. Note that the same blue is used for cushion and chair covers.





## idea

- 29 These attractive walls are  $\frac{3}{8}$ " Novoply, stained reddish brown (natural color of Novoply is pale tan).
- 30  $\frac{3}{4}$ " Novoply forms built-in book shelves and storage cabinet on rear wall.
- 31 Simple room divider of the same Novoply. Brass tubing adds interest. Pole lights would also be effective.



## idea

- 32 Birch Plankweld walls are set off by Old Craftsman Pine wall painted deep blue.
- 33 Storage unit on far wall can be made of  $\frac{3}{4}$ " matching birch or any other decorative Weldwood. Exposed edges may be painted or covered with matching Weldwood Flexible Wood Trim. Drop lid is faced with white Micarta.
- 34 Table in foreground is Micarta topped. This may be walnut type as shown or of a harmonizing color. Coffee table is white Micarta topped.
- 35 Notice the way designer George Nelson used blues to set off the birch walls and deep, soft pink rug to spark table and couch adding color to black and white floor tiles.

**55** Designer Melanie Kahane cut Surfwood into strips for decorative accents in this handsome barbecue room.

**56** Log bin is lined with Surfwood. Open recess to left conceals handy serving wagon. Ceramic tile used for other wall areas and cabinet top.



**57** Unique wall treatment. These handsome oak Weldwood squares are actually hinged doors which conceal TV, hi-fi equipment, record storage, etc.

**58** Soffit over bar is made of same 1/4" oak Weldwood over framing. Face panel bent into gentle curve and fastened to framing underneath.



**59** Samara Weldwood wall panels, joined with Weldwood Moldings, are built out to provide narrow shelf below ceiling in this charming room designed by Samson Berman Assoc.

**60** Bar front is matching Samara, topped with Micarta and self-apron.

**61** Notice the TV arrangement. Set is suspended between floor-to-ceiling posts.



**62** Weldtex Squares are highly decorative. Excellent for ceilings. Can be painted or finished natural, or stained. Quickly installed over sheathing.



**63** Make use of lolly columns. Here's one suggestion. Paint them black or a decorator color.

**64** Hang a music wall between lollies. Novoply sliding doors conceal the cabinet which can be made of hardwood Weldwood or Old Craftsman Pine. Be sure to provide ventilation for equipment. See perforations on left.



**65** Basement ceilings are usually awkward. Cover them with Weldwood and box in ugly pipes and ducts.

**66** Ceiling lights diffused by glass panels that rest on frame set into the Weldwood ceiling.

**67** Bar front is Weldtex, top can be colored Micarta. Small sink and shelves contained inside bar unit.

**68** Walls are Novoply. Mosaic pattern of Novoply is decorative.

**69** Long seat at left can be made of any  $\frac{3}{4}$ " Weldwood or Novoply. Use covered foam rubber cushion for top.

**70** Recess in left side of wall conceals a refrigerator. This makes a fine storage area.

**71** Open stairs were enclosed here to separate utility rooms from play area. Novoply panels make the dividing wall which conceals laundry, furnace room and workshop.

**72** Notice the way ducts have been Weldwood enclosed on ceiling. Small sliding panels are inserted at all points where access to equipment is necessary.

**73** Long toy chest built in on left, with sliding Novoply doors. (Novoply is so rigid it can be used unsupported for sliding doors.)

**74** Left end of back wall can be made of Perfowood, painted in two colors. Pegs will hold small shelves, clippings and toys of various types.



**75** Left wall shows ingenious use of awkward space. Far cabinet is built of Novoply, concealing fuse boxes and other maintenance units. Access is a must, so the cabinet has a false back with sliding panels. These slide out of the way and make the units easy to get at, yet cabinet puts all free space to good use.

**76** Large cabinet at left can be made of hardwood Weldwood or Old Craftsman Pine. Sliding doors are two pieces of Novoply set into tracks. Mirror above cabinet adds depth to the comparatively shallow area.



**77** An easy way to divide a room, excellent for screening off one area without cutting out light or ventilation. Strips of Novoply are beveled on long edges and mounted on dowels which act as pivots in a simple frame. Strips become louvers which can be moved freely to open or close.





## idea

- 78 Weldwood Prefinished Charter Birch V-Plank walls. The decorative knots add a natural, informal feeling to the room.
- 79 Snack bar and tables form a continuous unit which ties the two walls together. White Micarta surfaces are decorative and practical.
- 80 Weldron, a tough, vinyl material covers chair and floor cushions. Notice the way blues and greens are introduced in floor tiles, upholstery, pictures and vases. Small touches of red are used for accent.





## idea

- 81 Walls and bar front are Philippine mahogany Plankweld. Bar top can be Micarta. Notice the effective taper of bar, providing knee room.
- 82 A solution to the problem of where to put the TV set. Mount it into the wall.
- 83 Ready-made glass back with movable glass shelves takes care of glass storage. Interesting accessory is the hanging flower pot arrangement on right wall.





## idea

- 84 For walls of odd height, try Weldtex in alternating "bands" of vertical and horizontal striations. This adds interest, and it's economical.
- 85 Bar front is made of Weldtex applied over framing. Top is Micarta on Weldwood, cut to curve and self-edged.
- 86 Covered column behind bar is actually a dumbwaiter enclosure; a handy way to transport supplies from kitchen overhead.





## idea

- 87** Prefinished walnut Weldwood covers walls and return, forms window valance. Matching Weldwood Corner Molding used at outside corners for neat finish.
- 88** Korina Weldwood music wall contrasts nicely with the walnut walls. Slanted wall shelf is walnut Weldwood with Korina Weldwood end brackets. Weldwood Cap Molding finishes off exposed shelf edges.



## idea

- 89** Oak Weldwood walls, with a ceiling of Weldtex Squares painted blue. Note the way lights fit into the squares.
- 90** Accordion-type doors which fold over the storage areas can be made of matching oak Weldwood or Novoply. Decorative bands are simply colorful playing cards glued to the door surface with Weldwood Presto-Set.
- 91** Snack bar at left is made of Weldtex, top is Micarta, same blue as ceiling.
- 92** Wall seat on right can be made of any  $\frac{3}{4}$ " Weldwood. Seat cushion and back are foam rubber, covered in the same color as Micarta bar top.
- 93** Table is easily made of any  $\frac{3}{4}$ " Weldwood or Novoply.

# Weldwood products for family rooms

## FOR WALLS AND CEILINGS

*Prefinished Weldwoods*—beautiful plywood panels with a hard, furniture-type finish, factory applied. 4' x 8' x 1/4" (also 7' and 10' lengths) in these styles: **Standard**, smooth, flush faces.



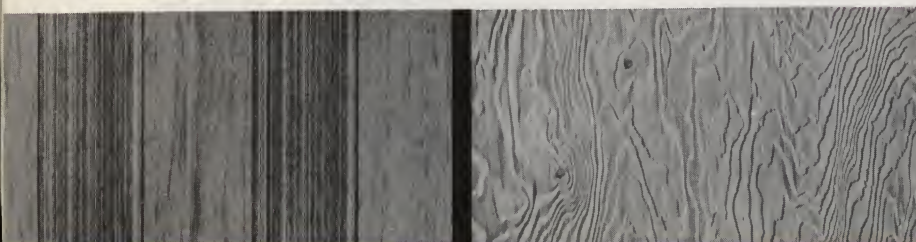
**V-Plank**, same panels with vertical v-grooves that give the appearance of random spacing but you'll find a v-groove every 16" on center, to allow for nailing through the groove without marring panel faces.

**Colonial V-Plank**, a V-Plank panel with real veneer "pegs" at cross joints.



**Plankweld** panels are 7', 8' or 10' long, 16 1/4" wide, tongue-and-grooved for easy installation. Fastening is done by metal clips inserted in groove, under tongue.

The four styles of Weldwood Prefinished Panels are made in a wide variety of handsome woods. See them in your Weldwood dealer's showroom, or in any United States Plywood Corporation branch.



**Planktex**—4' x 8' x 5/16", a decorative panel with faces made of 6" wide alternating stripes of smooth and striated Philippine mahogany.

**Surfwood** has a three-dimensional surface, (grain figure stands out in bold relief) available in four decorator colors—Fawn, Silver Gray, Havana Green and Frosted Ebony.

All Prefinished Weldwoods except Plankweld are also available unfinished.

**Weldwood Panels**—also available unfinished, ready for whatever finish you want to apply. (See suggestions in Weldwood Finishing Instructions folders.) Weldwood Panels are made in all the popular domestic and foreign woods including the same species as the Prefinished assortment plus woods like white or red birch, maple, rift oak, red oak, red gum, elm and others. Also *Checkerboard* which features 16" squares of veneer on 4' x 8' panels. Weldwood panels come in many sizes, from economical 5, 6 and 7 foot lengths up to 10 foot in most species. Textured Weldwoods include types mentioned in Prefinished Textured description plus Weldtex, Sea Swirl and Novoply. *Weldtex* is the striated or "combed" paneling with narrow, deep grooves cut into the face. Made in 5/16" and 3/4" thick panels up to 10 feet long, also in squares which are excellent for checkerboard effects. Weldtex is also available in Exterior Grade for outdoor use. *Sea Swirl* resembles Surfwood but grain figure and texture are finer, more delicate. *Novoply* is an unusual paneling. Smooth, hard surface features wood "flakes" which give it a shimmering, mosaic-like appearance. Exceptionally rigid, Novoply can be used for partitions without elaborate framing. 3/8" thickness used for walls.

*Paintable Weldwoods* include the old stand-by *Douglas Fir Weldwood* as well as *Old Craftsman Pine*, an all-pine Weldwood which takes painted or stained finishes beautifully. *Duraply* is another easily painted Weldwood. Its resin overlay makes it wear-resistant. The *Weldwood Hardboard* assortment contains many types for wall and ceiling use, including Dekatile and Dekaleather.

## FOR FURNITURE AND BUILT-INS

Any Weldwood Paneling can be used for making cabinets and furniture. Most Weldwoods, including Novoply and many of the Prefinished Panels are available in 3/4" thickness. This is the thickness most often used. Where only 1/4" or 5/16" thicknesses are available, as in Surfwood, for example, or where an exact match is required, the thin panel can be bonded to 1/2" fir Weldwood with Weldwood Contact Cement. Exposed edges of any Weldwood can be covered with Weldwood Flexible Wood Trim for a professional finish.

## DOORS

*Weldwood Flush Doors* are available in all standard sizes and a wide variety of woods to match or harmonize with Weldwood Panels. Weldwood Door assortment also includes *Weldwood Louver Doors*, *Novoply Bifold Doors* and *Sliding Doors*. *Birch Cupboard Door Stock* is excellent for cabinets, closets, etc. In widths from 12" to 30", 6', 7' and 8' lengths. *Novoply* panels make good doors for sliding or regular installations, for cabinets, closets, etc. *Hardwood faced Novoply* panels can be used for doors. Finish off exposed edges with Weldwood Flexible Wood Trim. *Weldwood Hardboards* are fine for small sliding doors. Any 1/4" Weldwood Paneling can be used to face old doors and make them new again. Cover both sides of door, attaching Weldwood Panels with Weldwood Contact Cement.

## FOR SPECIAL APPLICATIONS

*Micarta* (made by Westinghouse) decorative, high pressure laminate for furniture, sink and work surface tops and bar tops, also for bath and lavatory walls. Dirt, grease and fruit acids wipe off with a damp cloth. Dozens of colors and patterns, including simulated wood grains. Made in 1/16" sheets, 7/8" and 1 1/4" factory glued panels or 5/32" Micarta-board (for walls). Also available in Unitop, a formed top with splash-back and no-drip edge. *Weldwood Door Mirrors*, complete with clips for easy attachment to any door. *Weldwood Perfowood*, perforated panels for wall and sliding door use. *Porc-Lin-Ply*, a colorful exterior paneling with porcelain faces. For kitchens and bathrooms.

## FOR EXTERIOR USE

Any exterior grade Weldwood can be used for making wind-breaks, patio furniture, etc.



## ADHESIVES

**Weldwood Glue**, a plastic resin glue for wood-to-wood bonding.

**Weldwood Contact Cement** for nail-less installation of Weldwood Panels and for bonding Micarta. Bonds on contact without need for pressure or clamps.

**Weldwood Presto-Set Glue**, all purpose "white" liquid glue.

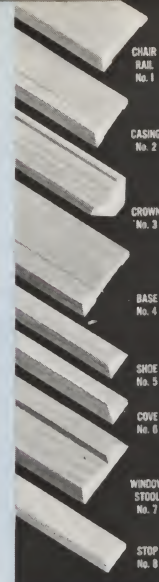


## FOR FINISHING WELDWOOD PANELS

**Firzite**, a sealer and undercoater, excellent base for oil stains. Available in Clear or White. Can be tinted with color-in-oil and used as stain.

**Satinlac**, one of the most popular wood finishing materials available. Water-white, produces clear, satin smooth finish without yellowish cast. Brushes on very easily.

**Satinlac Lightener**, a base or first coat which prevents subsequent clear finishes from darkening the wood. Used under Satinlac it retains virgin color of wood.



## MOLDINGS AND TRIM

**Weldwood Veneer-faced Aluminum Moldings** are made in all needed types for easy panel installation—inside and outside corners, cap and divider. Veneers match Weldwood panels. Available for 1/4" and 3/4" Weldwoods.

**Weldwood Hardwood Trim** made of carefully machined hardwood lumber in woods to match Weldwood Panels. Styles include window and door casing, ceiling cove or crown, chair rail, window stool, stop, floor base, shoe and corner bead.

**Weldwood Flexible Wood Trim**, 8 foot long strip of 1 inch wide veneer in woods to match Weldwood Panels. Use this handy Trim to conceal exposed panel edges in cabinet construction. Use it to decorate accessories. Easily applied with Weldwood Contact Cement or Presto-Set.

All products distributed by United States Plywood Corporation are trademarked and/or patented.



## idea

- 94  $\frac{1}{4}$ " knotty pine Weldwood for walls,  $\frac{3}{4}$ " for cabinets.
- 95 Record player and radio are housed in the cabinet at right. Record storage is provided in one or two drawers, as needed. TV set is mounted on revolving platform for easy viewing indoors or out.
- 96 Seat is a storage cabinet. Hinged or sliding door can be used. Covered foam rubber cushions form seat and back.
- 97 Unusual magazine rack is built into left end of seat wall. Narrow strips of matching Weldwood are fastened across the recess for bottom of each tier, squares are attached in front to form shallow boxes.
- 98 Drop leaf coffee table is made of  $\frac{3}{4}$ " knotty pine Weldwood, exposed edges covered with Weldwood Flexible Wood Trim. Casters make table more useful.
- 99 Cabinet on left wall is made of  $\frac{3}{4}$ " knotty pine Weldwood. Sliding doors are Novoply, stained brown, and Weldtex, natural finish.
- 100 Amusing turtle tuffet is made of  $\frac{3}{4}$ " Weldwood. Use Old Craftsman Pine. Plump cushion on top makes this a favorite TV seat for the small fry. Instructions available for making tuffet, table and cabinets.

## UNITED STATES PLYWOOD CORPORATION

55 West 44th Street • New York 36, N. Y.

IN CANADA: WELDWOOD PLYWOOD, LTD.

Digitized by



ASSOCIATION  
FOR  
PRESERVATION  
TECHNOLOGY,  
INTERNATIONAL

[www.apti.org](http://www.apti.org)

BUILDING  
TECHNOLOGY  
HERITAGE  
LIBRARY

<https://archive.org/details/buildingtechnologyheritagelibrary>

From the collection of:

Mike Jackson, FAIA



idea

- 94  $\frac{1}{4}$ " knotty pine Weldwood for walls,  $\frac{3}{4}$ " for cabinets.
- 95 Record player and radio are housed in the cabinet at right. Record storage is provided in one or two drawers, as needed. TV set is mounted on revolving platform for easy viewing indoors or out.
- 96 Seat is a storage cabinet. Hinged or sliding door can be used. Covered foam rubber cushions form seat and back.
- 97 Unusual magazine rack is built into left end of seat wall. Narrow strips of matching Weldwood are fastened across the recess for bottom of each tier, squares are attached in front to form shallow boxes.
- 98 Drop leaf coffee table is made of  $\frac{3}{4}$ " knotty pine Weldwood, exposed edges covered with Weldwood Flexible Wood Trim. Casters make table more useful.
- 99 Cabinet on left wall is made of  $\frac{3}{4}$ " knotty pine Weldwood. Sliding doors are Novoply, stained brown, and Weldtex, natural finish.
- 100 Amusing turtle tuffet is made of  $\frac{3}{4}$ " Weldwood. Use Old Craftsman Pine. Plump cushion on top makes this a favorite TV seat for the small fry. Instructions available for making tuffet, table and cabinets.